

SELFREDGE FIELD, BUILDING NO. 833  
(Pavement and Grounds Building)  
(Base Engineering Storage Shed)  
W. of Mulberry St. north of George Ave.  
Mt. Clemens vicinity  
Macomb County  
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## HISTORIC AMERICAN ENGINEERING RECORD

SELFRIDGE FIELD HAER No. MI-116-U  
BUILDING #833 (PAVEMENT AND GROUNDS BUILDING)  
(Base Engineering Storage Shed)

- Location: West of Mulberry Street north of George Avenue  
Selfridge Air National Guard Base, Mt. Clemens vicinity,  
Macomb County, Michigan  
U.S.G.S. Mount Clemens East Quadrangle, Universal Transverse  
Mercator Coordinates: 17.350190.4719220
- Significance: This building represents the utilitarian buildings erected at Selfridge as the base expanded to meet its World War II training mission and its functional nature is typical of the spartan buildings built for the military during this period.
- Description: This single story shed is a rectangular plan, 15 foot 4 inch by 13 foot 4 inch structure shielded by a shallow side-gabled corrugated metal roof. It rests on a concrete slab and is constructed of dimensional lumber frame onto which is bolted galvanized metal panels. Its facade (west elevation) displays a centrally located pedestrian entry door while the north and south elevation originally were pierced by centrally located window voids that are now covered with corrugated metal panels. The rear (east) elevation lacks fenestration. This building appears to result from salvage of portions of a Butler prefabricated Building sheathing applied to a dimensional wood frame. The interior consists of unobstructed storage space.
- History: This building was designed by the Office of the Post Engineer and erected in 1942 as a Heavy Equipment Building.<sup>1</sup> It was designed as a storage shed and was erected for purely utilitarian purposes. It continues in use for storage today.
- Sources: Anonymous, Brief History of Selfridge Air Force Base, 1917-1960, unpublished ms., Air Force Historical Research Agency, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama, 1960.  
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Floor plan on file, "Building #833," Civil Engineers Office, on file, Selfridge Base Civil Engineering.

Interview, Colonel Robert Stone (Ret.), Curator, Selfridge Base Museum, October 13, 1995.

Interview, Eric Reeve, Selfridge Environmental Management, October 12, 1995.

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